MINUTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF OGDEN RIVER WATER RIGHTS ASSOCIATION AND STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE HELD JANUARY 8, 1963, AT 3:15 P.M., COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BOARDROOM

Present were:

State Engineer's office Wayne D. Criddle, State Engineer
R. Keith Higginson
Donald C. Norseth
Frank Reese
Richard Texton

Ogden River Water Rights Assoc. -

✓ John M. Jones, Chairman

/ Edward H. Southwick, Pineview Water System

✓ James N. Randall, Western Irrigation Co.

✓ Charles L. Heslop, President, Weber River Water Users Assoc,

/ Hayres Fuller, Eden Irrigation Company

/ Clarence Smith, Huntsville Irrigation Co.

A. J. Robson, Plain City Irrigation Co.

E. J. Fjeldsted, Weber Basin Water Conservancy District Horace C. Rhees

E. Blaine Johnson, Weber River Commissioner

J. Floyd Barnett, Ogden River Commissioner

Harvey H. Stone, Lynn Irrigation Company

George Mildon, Bertagnolli Irrigation Company

Chairman Jones presided and explained this meeting had been called at the request of the State Engineer in compliance with Title 73, Chapter 5, Utah Code Annotated, 1953. He extended his appreciation to those present and urged everyone to express himself in this meeting of the water users, as such. He explained the Association was organized by the vast majority of water users on the system and was requested to carry on the interests of the users, primarily in protecting their water rights and seeing to it that their waters were properly distributed. He stated the Association has functioned in this capacity and is now prepared to present to the State Engineer the agenda requirements innumerated in his call of the meeting.

Mr. Jones requested Frank Reese, Business Manager, to review the Ogden River Water Users Assoc. financial statement. The details of this report were carefully reviewed and the report attached to these minutes for reference.

Mr. Jones then requested Mr. Floyd Barnett to give a brief report of operations of the Ogden River for 1962. He was well pleased with the cooperation he received from the various users and reported problems that were corrected during the year which were helpful in the distribution of the water. He was pleased that the city and county cooperated with the water users to correct serious problems in the Mill Creek that made it much better for the 1962 delivery of water through this transportation facility. They were compelled only once during 1962 to turn the water out of Mill Creek because of the high concentration of moss and he hoped some type of research could be made to help prevent this accumulation.

Following the commissioner's report, Chairman Jones stated the Ogden River Water Rights Assoc. wished to recommend to the State Engineer that Floyd Barnett be appointed Water Commissioner for the 1963 season. Mr. Jones proposal was presented in the form of a motion made by Director Southwick and seconded by Clarence Smith and carried with no decending votes from those present.

Secretary Fjeldsted was then requested by Chairman Jones to present the budget they would like to recommend to the water users present and to the State Engineer to take care of requirements of the Association during the 1963 season. The Secretary presented the following budget explaining there was a slight increase in the commissioners salary from \$2,550 to \$2,700 and an increase of the allowance for car use from \$660 to \$680, and the item for bond and insurance had been raised as well as Social Security and state retirement. The total budget for 1963 in the amount of \$4,731.78 is hereby presented for consideration. In addition to the budget for 1963, and in conformity with the request made by the State Engineer Wayne Criddle on March 15, 1962, a detailed breakdown of the expenditures is hereby submitted as follows:

OGDEN RIVER WATER RIGHTS ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1963

	1963
** Commissioners Salary	\$2,700.00
Matching Social Security	98.78
Retirement	108.00
Travel Expense	680.00
Bonds & Insurance Premiums	50.00
Miscellaneous expense	75.00
* Water Users Committee Expense	870.00
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\$4,731.78

\$272.88

**Commissioners Salary:

Montl	n Salary	Expense
Apri.	1 225.00	50.00
May	450.00	100.00
June	450.00	120,00
July	450.00	120.00
Aug.	450.00	120.00
Sept	450.00	120.00
Oct.	225.00	50.00
	\$2,700.00	\$680.00

* Water Users Committee:

a.	Legal Counsel	\$200.00
b.	Office expense	50.00
Co	Secretary	120.00
d.	Committee exp.	500.00
	_	\$870.00

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Director's Expense	
John M. Jones	41.60
Haynes R. Fuller	37.20
Clarence Smith	36.48
James N. Randall	33.36
Delbert Hodson	20.40
Horace Rhees	22.72
Charles L. Heslop	34.08
E. J. Fjeldsted	47.04

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Director's Expense brought fwd. Hotel Ben Lomond Weber Basin (Office Supplies Secretary Service Charge (bank)	\$272.88 26.44 17.91 (check outstanding) 120.00 (check outstanding)
Revenues Total expenditures	870.00 <u>437.38</u>

Balance

\$432.62

It is necessary that this budget be approved by the State Engineer and that the total funds necessary to match these expenditures be scheduled for assessments on the users, and that the balance of the committee budget of \$870, which is \$432.62, be sent to the State Engineer's office and credited to the Ogden River distribution system bank reserves. Chairman Jones requested action on this proposal from members present. A motion was made by Horace Rhees and seconded by Clarence Smith that the report made by the treasurer and presented by the chairman be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

It may be advisable to record a protest from the floor by a non-member of the Association, whose name was Harvey H. Stone, representing the Lynne Irrigation Co. who presumably represented the Bertagnolli Irrigation Co. also. These two companies, through Mr. Stone, protested the organization of the Ogden River Water Rights Assoc. and protested all their expenses, primarily those costs other than those of the actual cost of distribution, feeling that the companies should not be assessed for these added amounts. The protests were heard by the Association members and Mr. Criddle stated he had made a careful review with the State Attorney General's office of the protests in the past by these two irrigation companies and had clearly defined the plan of assessment to the protestants and after conferences and explanations had been made the State Engineer levied the assessment on all water users.

Director Horace Rhees presented an informal vote of thanks for the splendid work of Commissioner Floyd Barnett during the previous years. The expression of thanks by Director Rhees was heartily approved by unanimous applause from delegates present.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. FJELDSTED, Secretary